



ERIE COUNTY LEGISLATURE

HON. TED MORTON
LEGISLATOR

January 6, 2015

Senator Chuck Schumer
130 South Elmwood, #660
Buffalo, NY 14202

Dear Senator Schumer,

On October 16, 2014, I called on New York State Attorney General Eric Schneiderman to investigate gas prices in Erie County in comparison to the rest of the state. Every time there is a prolonged decline in oil and gasoline prices on the world commodity markets, the rest of NYS benefits far quicker than consumers in Erie County.

As we've continued to watch prices fall, Erie County gas prices remain significantly higher than the rest of the state and country. I'm asking you as my colleague in government to push for an investigation as well since my efforts to get the Attorney General to investigate have hit a roadblock.

The Attorney General's office informed me that I needed to bring proof of wrongdoing to their office before they would investigate. The Attorney General is tasked with protecting consumers and I believe that the consumers are being taken advantage of. Our constituents in Erie County deserve better. We need to work together in the interests of our constituents to ensure that they are receiving fair prices. Please call me at (716) 858-8856 if I can be of any assistance.

Very Truly Yours,

Ted Morton
Erie County Legislator
8th District

Enc. Letter dated 10/16/2014